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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for favorable consideration of all pending claims in the above-identified patent application. This Communication addresses the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance mailed January 4, 2008, which refers back to the description of Allowable Subject Matter in the Office Action mailed October 23, 2007. In the Office Action, the Examiner identified specific features of the claimed invention that are not taught or suggested by the cited prior art, namely, the transmitting of a list of the obtained identifiers to the addresses of the one or more entities registered with the created

digital content, and obtaining identifiers by requesting transmission of the identifiers from a network service to the terminal.

Although Applicant agrees that the cited features are not taught or suggested in the prior art, Applicant respectfully contests any implication that these are the only features that distinguish Applicant's claims from the prior art. Rather, the language of the claims speaks for themselves in defining the present invention. Accordingly, to the extent that the Reasons for Allowance may imply that the claimed invention was allowed due to the failure of the cited prior art to disclose only those claim recitations specifically referenced in the Reasons for Allowance, the Applicant disputes any such implication.

For example, if the particular distinguishing features identified in the Reasons for Allowance were indeed found to be associated with a particular prior art reference of record, the claimed invention would not be rendered anticipated under 35 U.S.C. §102 as the claimed invention includes numerous limitations not addressed in the Reasons for Allowance. With respect to obviousness under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), the rigors of establishing prima facie obviousness include a showing that the prior art teaches all of the claim limitations, as well as a legally appropriate showing of motivation to modify or combine references to arrive at the claimed invention and a reasonable expectation of success. If there is disagreement on the part of the Examiner, the Applicant invites the Examiner to address the Applicant's remarks presented herein.

In view of the Examiner's allowance of all pending claims, the comments provided herein are not provided in an effort to distinguish the pending claims from the prior art. Rather, these comments are provided to make clear that the Applicant does not

acquiesce that other features and recitations of the allowed claims are necessarily described or suggested by the cited prior art, if such an inference could reasonably be drawn. It is respectfully submitted that the Applicant has not intended to narrow, nor has the Applicant narrowed, the breadth of the allowed claims through the explanatory comments provided herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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